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WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION  
Office of Distribution  
Washington 25, D. C.

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ANNOUNCEMENT WD-8  
Rolled or (Flaked) Oat Cereal

War Food Administration hereby announces that purchases by the Commodity Credit Corporation of approximately 1,825,600 pounds of Rolled or (Flaked) Oat Cereal are contemplated and that offers for the sale of this product, which must have been processed in the United States, may now be submitted.

Delivery is needed to Portland, Tacoma, and Seattle by May 1, 1944 and preference may be given to earliest deliveries offered.

Offers submitted pursuant to this announcement, if accepted, will be accepted by, and after acceptance will become contracts with, the Commodity Credit Corporation, hereinafter referred to as CCC.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN OFFER

Offers may be submitted by letter or telegram addressed to the undersigned, and must state the following:

1. That the offer is subject to the terms and conditions of Announcement WD-8
2. Number of pounds offered.
3. Price per 100 pounds f.o.b. cars or trucks at shipping point for export.
4. Indicate rate of freight for 100 pounds to Portland, Tacoma, and Seattle for export basis:
  - (a) Flat or local rate (not proportional or transit) which applies on out-bound shipments.
  - (b) Rates, with inbound tonnage, that will entitle the CCC to the out-bound proportional rates from milling points.
  - (c) Rates, with inbound tonnage, that will entitle the CCC to the out-bound commercial transit rate (balance of through rate).
5. Net weight per bag.
6. Type of bag and bag construction.
7. Maximum amount deliverable weekly and earliest date that deliveries can begin.
8. Originating carrier and point of origin.
9. Indicate gross weight per unit pack and cubic displacement.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In Submitting an offer to sell, the terms and conditions hereof, and Standard Contract Conditions (Form FDA-474) except items 3(b), 6, 7, 8 and 18 thereof, shall become a part of the offer to sell and upon acceptance by the CCC, the offer and acceptance will constitute a valid and binding contract between the vendor and CCC.

DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER: All offers must be received by the Grain Products Branch, Office of Distribution, War Food Administration, Washington 25, D. C. not later than 3:00 PM, Eastern War Time, April 6, 1944.

ACCEPTANCE: Offers shall be subject to acceptance by CCC in whole or in part by telegram filed at Washington, D. C., not later than midnight (EWT) April 7, 1944.

SPECIFICATIONS: Rolled (or flaked) quick-cooking Oat Cereal delivered hereunder shall be of a good and uniform texture, produced from the groats of white oats. The groats used shall be sound, properly hulled, cleaned, dried and processed without added flavoring, to produce an article which may be quickly cooked. The oat cereal shall contain not more than 2.3 percent crude fiber on a moisture-free basis and not more than 11.5 percent moisture. The oat cereal shall have an excellent flavor and a bright uniform creamy color, shall be free from rancid, musty, bitter or other undesirable tastes or odors, and shall be properly free from powdered or granulated stock.

When properly boiled for table use the product will not be excessively sticky or pasty and will possess an excellent flavor, characteristic of good quality oats, freshly rolled.

Oat cereal delivered hereunder shall conform with every applicable requirement of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, as amended, and of regulations issued pursuant thereto and in effect on the date of invitation to offer.

PACKAGING: All Oat Cereal delivered shall be packaged 100 pounds net in new double bags manufactured from cloth equal or better in breaking strength than the following: Outer bag: 40 inch - 2.50 yard sheeting, 36 inch - 2.85 yard sheeting or 36 inch - 2.35 yard Osaburg.  
Inner bag: 37 inch - 4 yard sheeting.

The bags shall be closed, after filling, by machine sewing, using at least 4 ply No. 12 thread in the needle and looper. The inner and outer bag shall be sewed in line with the foregoing sentence, independently of each other. Bag seams shall be strong enough to develop the full strength of the cloth. All bags shall be carefully sewed to insure acceptance by common or other carrier for safe transportation domestically and for export at the lowest rates in effect. Each shipment shall contain empty bags in a ratio of one-half of one percent of the kind and size used of the total number of filled bags for such shipment.

MARKINGS: The markings will consist of eleven lines as follows: (line number one SHALL BE in RED and the balance in BLACK.)

ARCTIC

1. Name of commodity in foreign language using English Alphabet.
2. Contract Number
3. Order Number
4. Transportation Number



5. Requisition Number
6. Rolled Oat Cereal
7. Net Weight
8. Gross weight
9. Commodity Code
10. Name of Mill
11. Made in USA

Information for completion of lines 1,2,3,4,6, and 9 will be furnished by CCC in adequate time to permit printing of the entire legend.

QUANTITY: Offers shall be submitted for any quantity in multiples of not less than minimum carloads for export, and in accordance with orders and regulations of the Office of Defense Transportation.

DELIVERY: Delivery of the product offered and accepted pursuant to this announcement shall be made f.o.b. cars or trucks at vendor's plant as directed by the CCC during a 90-day period, beginning on the date specified in the offer as earliest date of delivery.

When the primary "MILLING-IN-TRANSIT" charge is assessed at the milling point against the inbound tonnage surrendered, this charge will be paid by the CCC except when transit charge is due to prior transit(s).

It is understood that shipments moving under transit or proportional rates are subject to carrier's tariff regulations governing transit.

FIRES, STRIKES, AND FORCE MAJEURE: Should the vendor be obstructed or delayed in the delivery of any portion of Rolled or (Flaked) Oat Cereal deliverable in accordance with this offer, by reason of a cause or causes beyond the control of the vendor and without his fault or negligence, including but not limited to acts of government, acts of God, force majeure, embargo, war, civil uprising, floods, fires, strikes, or by the failure of transportation facilities, then the time herein fixed for fulfillment shall be extended for a period equivalent to the time lost for any or all of the reasons aforesaid, but in no event shall the time be extended for more than sixty days; provided, that notice of such obstruction or delay is given by vendor to the CCC before the expiration of the period herein fixed for delivery.

CARRYING CHARGES: Carrying charges will be paid by CCC on all Oat Cereal remaining unordered beginning on the ninety-first (91) day after the date specified in the offer as the earliest date of delivery, at the rate of one-twelfth (1/12) of one cent per 100 pounds per day, and ending on the date preceding the actual date of delivery.

Further details with respect to this purchase may be obtained by communicating with the Grain Products Branch, Office of Distribution, War Food Administration, Washington 25, D. C., telephone REpublic 4142, Extension 3127.



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